

## **MEDICAL MARIJUANA/CANNABIS TASK FORCE**

### **MEETING SUMMARY FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2003 @ 12 NOON**

#### **EXECUTIVE COMPLEX - 5<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR 1010 SECOND AVENUE**

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#### **Attendees:**

The following Task Force members were in attendance: Chair: Juliana Humphrey, Ann Shanahan-Walsh, Dale Kelly-Bankhead, Jerry Meier, Michael Bartelmo, and Mike Barbee.

Staff: Lt. Cesar Solis, Ed Plank, Alison Glennon, Lisa Foster, Elmer Heap and Staa Heshimu.

Summary from January 17, 2003, was approved.

#### **De-Brief on Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting**

The Council Meeting went well and the guidelines are in the process of being revised to reflect all changes made at the meeting. An ordinance will be drafted as well and is in the works. The Ordinance first reading should be docketed over the next several weeks and the second reading will follow 30 days later. It was clarified that consistent with the direction of PS&NS, the two-year pilot program will commence when the ID Card Program is up and running.

#### **Fund-Raising Efforts**

Juliana will be attending a meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>, which will hopefully provide some possible donations towards the seed money. The Human Dignity Foundation now has the original copy and Juliana has a copy of the agreement with the foundation to provide account management services for people who wish to donate to the seed money. The first fund-raising endeavor is a cruise which will take place on Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, Jerry passed out flyers.

#### **RFP Update**

Paul Simms of the Comprehensive Health Care Center met with several members of the Task Force to discuss the I.D. Card Program on Jan 31st. The meeting went well and suggested that more clarification and further defining the scope and requirements are needed in order to review and supplement the RFP more from the City Attorney and the Police Department is needed. A meeting will

be held on Friday, February 28, 2003, from 12:00 to 4:00 to brainstorm on the upcoming RFP process and combine the Patient/Doctor and Education/Training Sub-Committees.

### **New Business**

Juliana announced her departure as Chair of the Task Force and announced that Jerry Meier will become Acting Chair and Dale Kelly-Bankhead will be Vice -Chair. Juliana will still continue to be a member of the Task Force and will provide input on related issues. She will truly be missed as the Chair, and was thanked for all of her hard work and dedication to the Task Force.

Juliana commented in response to a question about the field trip and indicated she would rather have info on the protocols.

Mike Barbee commented on setting up feedback on a complaint mechanism. Mike also stated he would like to begin monthly meetings for patients.

Dale mentioned federal legislation is under consideration to allow states with Prop 215 type laws to allow patients to use.

### **Public Comment**

It was mentioned that if that the DEA stated if you are vocal and or speak about medical marijuana you will be arrested. A citizen wanted to know about Bonnie Dumanis position and who in the DA's Office is working on this issue. It was indicated that the working group set up by the DA's Office has not met in some time.